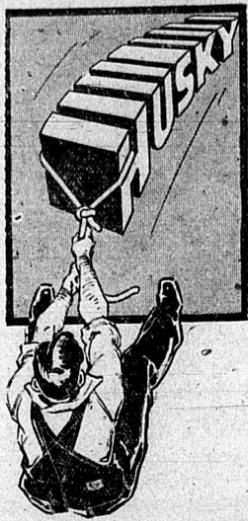


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## FREIGHT RATE VICTORY WON BY L.A. HARBOR

Los Angeles Rates Equalized with San Francisco—Also Reduced Rates from Harbor to San Joaquin

Special reductions on freight rates placing Los Angeles on a parity with San Francisco, and also equalizing the rates in the Imperial Valley with Los Angeles, were reported by J. W. Waitman of the harbor affairs committee of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce at the meeting held in Torrance last week.

The victory for the Harbor District is explained in a statement issued by the State Railroad Commission under date of February 11, as follows:

"Railroad freight rates, both class and commodity, were revised and special reductions made by decision issued today by the railroad commission, following public hearing before Commissioner Ezra W. Deoto.

The commission ruled that the rates applying from San Pedro and Wilmington to points within the San Joaquin Valley should be reduced to the mileage basis prescribed from Los Angeles into the same territory. These rates from Los Angeles were originally put in effect in the year 1911, and the rates today are based on the original schedule, with the war-time adjustments.

The freight rates were also reduced from San Pedro and Wilmington to points east of Los Angeles, including the Imperial Valley, to practically the same basis, mileage considered, as were put in effect by the Interstate Commerce Commission from California to points in Arizona. All class and commodity rates from San Pedro and Wilmington have been equalized established on bases no higher than those in effect from San Francisco to Coast Division points.

In the past the rates from San Francisco south have been somewhat lower, mileage considered, than the rates in the opposite direction. It has been the carriers' contention that the San Francisco southbound traffic meets more severe water competition than does the northbound. The commission, however, finds that the water competition is practically the same in both directions, and that the rates should be on an equality.

This decision is the result of a proceeding brought by the San Pedro and Wilmington Chambers of Commerce, who alleged that their communities were being discriminated against by reason of more favorable rate adjustments from Los Angeles and San Francisco into the competitive territories.

## Contributions to Yard-Garden Contest

Following is the list of contributions of prize money for the Yard and Garden contest being sponsored by the Torrance District Garden club:

Mrs. Jared Sidney Torrance—\$25.00  
Chamber of Commerce—25.00  
Kiwanis—10.00  
American Legion—5.00  
Rotary Annex—2.50

**SPEND HALF MILLION IN PEN CANON CITY, Colo., (UP)—**During the past two years the state penitentiary has spent \$506,737.76 in Canon City for supplies and salaries, Warden Francis E. Crawford said in an address before the Rotary club.

## Boy Rangers Go Camping Overnight Sat.

The recently organized Boy Rangers boys between the ages of 8 and 12, are going on their first weekend overnight camp next Saturday morning, leaving the Scout headquarters at 7:00 a. m., the transportation for the trip, having been provided by the Rotary club, the sponsoring organization. The camp will be at the Boys' Camp in Griffith Park in Los Angeles and the program will include hikes, games, craftwork classes, a campfire and a Sunday school service on Sunday morning. The camp will be under the personal direction of Ellis P. Moore Jr., in charge of all Ranger activities, will be for all Harbor District groups and a big crowd is expected. Each Ranger will take his own bedding, toilet articles and a heavy coat or sweater for evening wear. Meals while in camp will be provided at a cost of \$1.00 for the four meals. The party will return late Sunday afternoon.

## SO. CALIF. GAS REPORTS GAINS FOR PAST YEAR

Rate Reductions During Year Save Consumers \$600,000, Is Statement

In his annual report to the stockholders, A. B. McBeth, president of the Southern California Gas company, stated that 1929 was the largest in the company's history from the standpoint of gas handled. During the year full natural gas was turned on to the entire system for the first time, and the total of over seventy-seven billion cubic feet of gas was handled. This compares with over sixty-five billion handled in 1928, and the previous record of 1924, when only slightly less than sixty-nine billion cubic feet of natural gas, re-formed gas, and oil gas were handled.

As of December 31, 1929, the Southern California Gas Company had 236,415 meters on their system, a rate of 15,249 during the year as compared with 13,504 gain in 1928. This expansion in the number of customers entailed the addition of over 393 miles of mains, bringing the total number of miles of mains in service to over 4685. The miles of mains gained in 1928 was 278.

During November 1929 the laying of 70 miles of 20 inch main from Kettleman Hills to Buttonwillow were started. Mr. Macbeth reported that this project was completed in 12 weeks on schedule, and that on February 1st, this line was placed in service. It connects with the system of the Southern California Gas company, and makes Kettleman Hills gas available for Southern California.

Gross income for the Southern California Gas Company for 1929, Mr. Macbeth announced, was \$17,295,291. The balance available for return on the investment, after bond interest, was \$2,941,668. During the year rate reductions were made which effected a saving to the customers of \$600,000.

Mr. Macbeth further stated that during the year 1929 their plans call for an expenditure of approximately \$4,000,000 in extensions and betterments.

## AUDITION WINNER PLAYS LEAD IN NEW OPERETTA



A striking instance of radio producing another stage star is evident in the appearance of Wilbur Evans in the new operetta "Bambina", which is playing in Los Angeles.

Evans is a very fine singer of eastern repute, who studied at the Curtis Institute of Music. In 1927 he was picked over 70,000 contestants in the National Audition Contest over a chain of national radio stations, which participated in the event.

The winning of this award won for Evans a long-term contract with the Atwater Kent people to broadcast throughout the country. Following this he was sought for the lead in "The Vagabond King" in the East. And there followed numerous grand opera engagements for him in his home town of Philadelphia. He has appeared in many roles, the most prominent of which have been his depictions of "Faust", Tonio in "Pagliacci" and Scarpia in "Tosca". Evans portrays the leading romantic role in "Bambina" opposite Laurel Nemeth, who is also a graduate of the grand opera stage.

## FITTS FLAYS GANG LEADERS IN CRIME WAR

District Attorney Discloses Conditions Which Existed in Los Angeles County, at Harbor District Meeting in Torrance

Chicago is wasting time and money by the wholesale arrests of criminals. The only way to curtail crime is to keep the heads of the gangs and racketeer rings in jail. It does no good to make general round-ups such as are now being made by an aroused public in Chicago.

These are a few of the statements made by District Attorney Buron Fitts at the monthly meeting of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce which met in Torrance last Thursday evening.

Fitts stated that two years ago the conditions in Los Angeles were almost as bad as they are in Chicago. Justice was bought and sold like potatoes. Maybe you people in Los Angeles county did not realize it, but the rest of the country knew of it, declared the District Attorney.

"The way to break up crime is to keep the gang leaders in San Quentin until they die. You cannot reform them. Just as soon as their term is broken up, give them no quarter," shouted Fitts.

The district attorney stated that the business of his office had increased 72 percent since last February. Los Angeles has the second largest prosecuting attorney's office staff in the world, and if the board of supervisors will approve his recommendations to be made shortly, we will have the largest office in the world. Over 1200 felony cases a month are handled by the district attorney's office, all of which involve human life and liberty. Over 6000 people are interviewed a month, and there are 52 lawyers, 72 stenographers on the staff. On a recent case, Fitts said he worked 87 hours without leaving his office.

Fitts pleaded for the modification and simplification of the present criminal laws so as to take out the red tape. Swiftness of punishment is the best deterrent of crime. The district attorney flayed the conditions at San Quentin, which he terms an incubator of crime. He stated that it cost \$110 per year per man and that the cost of crime in California was \$55,000,000 a year, all of which is borne by property owners and taxpayers.

The district attorney appealed to all agencies of the government to enforce the law so that crime may be reduced to a minimum and the streets of Los Angeles county made safe for women and children.

The Women's clubhouse was filled to capacity with guests from communities throughout the harbor district and dinner was served by club members.

The meeting was the first one presided over by the new president, Councilman A. E. "Chick" Henning. George B. Kirker, far east representative of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, spoke on "Trade Opportunities of the Orient," and Dr. T. A. Young, director of the State Chamber of Commerce, gave an illustrated lecture on aviation development in the United States.

A group of dancing numbers by pupils of the Richard Martin School of Dancing, Wilmington, was well received, as were two solos by Jimmie Newell. Tom Ulrich and his orchestra accompanied. Tom Sylvester led the community singing.

George Proctor  
A tribute was paid to the memory of George Proctor by State Senator Frank Merriam and the audience stood for a moment of silent prayer. Senator Merriam characterized Mr. Proctor as one of the most beloved men in the harbor district and reviewed the early days of the organization when it numbered only five or six men.

Among those introduced were: W. J. Sanborn, R. L. Burns, and J. G. McAllister, all members of the Los Angeles City Council; A. R. Holden, mayor of Hermosa Beach; Hugh B. Lawrence, mayor of Inglewood; Henry W. Wright, supervisor of Los Angeles county; W. B. McQueen, former president of the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce; A. K. Warren, executive engineer of the Metropolitan Sewer System, and Mrs. Bernice Johnson, prominent in W.C.T.U. affairs. Mayor Dennis introduced the Torrance councilmen, and a vote of thanks was given Carl Hyde for arranging such a good meeting and to the Women's club for their hospitality.

President Henning announced that the meeting on March 13 would be held at Hawthorne and on April 19 at the birthplace of the organization, Lomita.

## Modisette Move to Colorado

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Modisette of Hollywood were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Wertz on Cabrillo avenue last week. Mr. Modisette formerly was a mail carrier in Torrance and was transferred to Hollywood some time ago. He is now being transferred to Grand Junction, Colorado on account of his health, and he and Mrs. Modisette left Sunday to motor to their new home.

## SUNSET PHOTO SUPPLY BUYS OUT LA PLANTE

Old Harbor District Photo Firm to Enlarge Torrance Branch

E. W. Herman, president and general manager of the Sunset Photo Supply, Inc., announces the purchase of the LaPlante Studio, at 1509 Cabrillo avenue, Torrance. The new telephone number is 667.

The Torrance store will be operated as a branch of the Sunset Photo Supply, Inc., of San Pedro, which has been in business for nine years. There is another branch now five years old at Wilmington. Miss Carol Uhl will have charge of the retail department of the Torrance store and Cyril Finney will be manager of the commercial photography and portrait department.

"I have been enthusiastic over the future of the harbor district for some years, and am particularly impressed with the development in sight here at Torrance," stated Mr. Herman.

"We will maintain the same high standard of service as Mr. LaPlante has been rendering and contemplate no radical change in policy except the enlargement of the retail departments. This will include a complete photographic stock, gifts, greeting cards, picture framing, portraits, and border and kodak finishing and commercial pictures will be given. We believe that the change in ownership will give Torrance people a better service due to the larger and better equipment of the Sunset studios," Mr. Herman stated.

A formal opening of the Torrance branch is planned at a later date, as soon as contemplated alterations have been made.

Mr. and Mrs. Rubin Guy of Long Beach spent Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Guy.

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## FORD STOLEN

A 1924 Ford, belonging to S. A. Tucker of 1321 W. 21st St., Torrance, was stolen from in front of the U. S. Steel some time Tuesday evening. When Mr. Tucker started home from work at 12 o'clock the car was missing.

## CHICKEN PIE DINNER

Ladies of the First Christian church will serve a chicken pie dinner at the church social hall, Friday, Feb. 23. Serving will start at 6:30 and continue until all are served. Adults 50c and children 25c.

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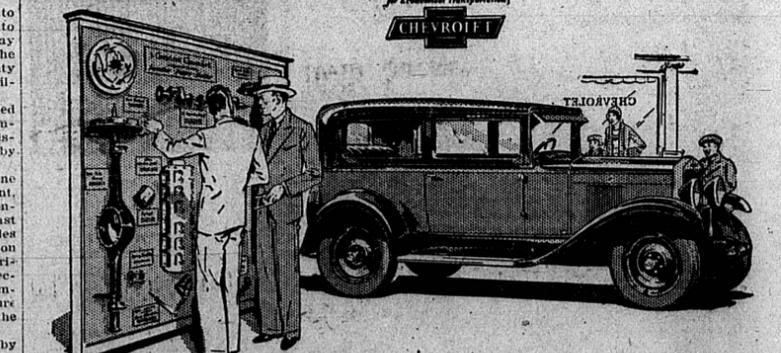
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